

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING
ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMO SERIES**

NOTICE: 03-14

DATE: December 12, 2003

DISPOSAL DATE: Ongoing

RE: Supplemental Income
Maintenance Funding for 2004

To: County Departments of Human Services Directors
County Departments of Social Services Directors
Tribal Chairpersons/Human Services Facilitators
Tribal Economic Support Directors

From: Mark B. Moody
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Purpose

To announce supplemental Income Maintenance (IM) funding for 2004.

Introduction

The Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) will add additional funds to the state-county and state-tribal contracts for IM for 2004. The amount of funding that is available for January 2004 for this purpose is \$4,000,000 All Funds. DHFS will issue addenda to the contracts during January 2004 for this purpose.

This funding is in addition to the base IM allocations announced in the Division of Health Care Financing Administrator's Memo 03-04. The purpose of this additional funding is to help address the caseload increase that has occurred since March 2003 when we last developed a proposal about IM funding. There has been an increase of more than 11% in the unduplicated IM case count from March to November – an increase of more than 31,000 cases statewide.

We also hope to ease the transition from the 2003 level of funds to the reduced funding for 2004. We know that many agencies are facing lay-offs and hope that this additional funding will enable IM agencies to keep many of these IM staff on the job. Our goal in distributing these funds is to assure that all available resources are used to assure timely and accurate eligibility determinations, to improve program access and to establish claims to collect overpayments.

This is the method used to determine agency allocations, which are shown in the attachment:

1. No additional funds are provided to the nine IM agencies (six tribes and three counties) with a caseload of less than 500 unduplicated IM cases because these agencies are protected by a base amount and they have already received the base funding for 2004.
2. For all other IM agencies, the most current caseload information (November 29, 2003) is used to determine their respective share of the state's unduplicated IM caseload.

3. This percentage share is applied to the total funds available to determine each agency's level of funding.

In addition to this January 2004 adjustment, DHFS will reobligate unspent funds from the 2003 contracts to the 2004 IM contracts in June 2004 after calendar year-end reconciliation. Another review of caseload and workload in relation to funding will be conducted in July 2004 to assess the situation for the balance of 2004 and for 2005. We will also keep working with you to identify ways to improve customer service and streamline government.

A workgroup of the Income Maintenance Advisory Committee is now working on a 2005 – 2007 budget proposal to tie IM funding to both caseload and workload. The committee will also consider if local cost issues should be factored into the formula in some way. If this proposal is approved, it could be used for distributing funds beginning in calendar year 2006.

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Attachment

**AGENCIES WITH CASELOAD OF 500 OR MORE, NOVEMBER 29, 2003
ADDITIONAL FUNDING PROVIDED FOR IM FOR 2004**

AGENCY NAME	NOVEMBER 29, 2003 UNDUPLICATED FOOD STAMP AND MEDICAID CASELOAD	ADDITIONAL FUNDING
STATEWIDE TOTAL (Agencies with cases above 500)	303,394	\$4,000,000
ADAMS	1,365	17,996
ASHLAND	1,786	23,548
BARRON	3,724	49,096
BAYFIELD	970	12,788
BROWN	10,183	134,256
BUFFALO	687	9,056
BURNETT	1,151	15,176
CALUMET	1,211	15,968
CHIPPEWA	3,263	43,020
CLARK	1,901	25,064
COLUMBIA	2,162	28,504
CRAWFORD	1,119	14,752
DANE	15,351	202,392
DODGE	3,342	44,060
DOOR	1,387	18,288
DOUGLAS	3,439	45,340
DUNN	2,425	31,972
EAU CLAIRE	5,479	72,236
FOND DU LAC	4,731	62,376
FOREST	738	9,728
GRANT	2,764	36,440
GREEN	1,586	20,912
GREEN LAKE	893	11,772
IOWA	951	12,540
IRON	592	7,806
JACKSON	1,270	16,744
JEFFERSON	3,116	41,080
JUNEAU	1,573	20,740
KENOSHA	9,919	130,772
KEWAUNEE	792	10,440
LA CROSSE	6,786	89,468
LAFAYETTE	730	9,624
LANGLADE	1,740	22,940
LINCOLN	1,729	22,796
MANITOWOC	3,608	47,568
MARATHON	6,355	83,784
MARINETTE	2,690	35,464
MARQUETTE	869	11,456
MILWAUKEE	92,114	1,214,448
MONROE	2,407	31,736

AGENCY NAME	NOVEMBER 29, 2003 UNDUPLICATED FOOD STAMP AND MEDICAID CASELOAD	ADDITIONAL FUNDING
OCONTO	1,793	23,640
ONEIDA	2,581	34,028
ONEIDA TRIBE	536	7,070
OUTAGAMIE	4,924	64,920
OZAUKEE	1,568	20,672
PIERCE	1,746	23,020
POLK	2,404	31,696
PORTAGE	3,893	51,324
PRICE	1,397	18,420
RACINE	10,739	141,584
RICHLAND	1,175	15,492
ROCK	10,066	132,712
RUSK	1,220	16,084
SAUK	2,705	35,664
SAWYER	1,541	20,316
SHAWANO	2,122	27,976
SHEBOYGAN	4,558	60,092
ST. CROIX	2,716	35,808
TAYLOR	1,272	16,772
TREMPEALEAU	1,673	22,056
VERNON	1,525	20,104
VILAS	986	13,000
WALWORTH	4,222	55,664
WASHBURN	1,356	17,876
WASHINGTON	3,256	42,928
WAUKESHA	7,518	99,120
WAUPACA	3,069	40,464
WAUSHARA	1,270	16,744
WINNEBAGO	6,394	84,300
WOOD	4,271	56,308

AGENCIES WITH CASELOAD OF LESS THAN 500, NOVEMBER 29, 2003

POTAWATOMI	61	0
STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE	98	0
SOKAOGON	120	0
BAD RIVER	200	0
RED CLIFF	217	0
LAC DU FLAMBEAU	378	0
FLORENCE	342	0
PEPIN	427	0
MENOMINEE COUNTY	437	0